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Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation Presents Civic Engagement and Business/Education Initiative Awards

The Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation presented two local high school seniors with the First Annual Kristin Appelget Civic Engagement Student Awards at the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce May 1st Monthly Membership Luncheon Meeting.. Sadhwvi Tripathy of West Windsor-Plainsboro High School South and Amanda Omar, coincidentally both students at West Windsor-Plainsboro High School South, were recognized by the Foundation for their impressive record of civic engagement and community service.

The Kristin Appelget Civic Engagement Student Awards Program is named for a former CEO & President of the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce and its Foundation who served from 2003-2006. The Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation accepted nominations and applications from high school seniors from throughout the greater Princeton region who have made a significant contribution to their communities, have demonstrated leadership in their civic activities and have exhibited a sustained commitment to volunteerism and community service.

In addition to the inaugural Civic Engagement Student Awards, the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation's Education Committee presented its twelfth Annual Business/Education Initiative Award to Thomas Townes, Senior Principal, Focus Architecture. The Business/Education Initiative Award, sponsored by DeVry University, recognizes Chamber members or individuals who have demonstrated exceptional educational initiatives, who are dedicated to education, and who have contributed to partnerships between business and education. Thomas Townes has been a member of the Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation's Education Committee for eight years and has been instrumental in the development and implementation of the Annual Educator's Institute.

The Princeton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, exists to effectively focus the skills and resources of the greater Princeton business community on the critical civic, educational, scientific, cultural and economic development interests of the region we serve.